



STATE OF HAWAII  
**CORRECTIONS POPULATION  
MANAGEMENT COMMISSION**

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Meeting Notes  
Friday, November 21, 2003

**Department of Public Safety**

- Present: Mr. Ron Hajime, Administrator, Adult Probation,  
Circuit Court of the First Circuit  
Mr. Dean Yamashiro for John Tonaki, Public  
Defender, Office of the Public Defender  
Mr. Henry Lau for Lee Donohue, Chief of Police
- Staff: Ms. Martha Torney, Program Specialist II, Department of Public  
Safety  
Mr. Joe Allen, Research Analyst, Sentencing  
Simulation Model Project  
Mr. Homer Hankins, Project Leader, Sentencing  
Simulation Model Project  
Mr. Ken Hashi, Programming, Planning & Budgeting, Department  
of Public Safety
- Guests: The Honorable Jay T. Kimura, Prosecuting Attorney, City and  
County of Hawaii  
Mr. Charles Chai, Assistant Chief of Police, Hawaii Police  
Department  
The Honorable Benjamin Acob, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, City  
and County of Maui  
Mr. Richie Nakashima, Assistant Chief of Police, Maui Police  
Department  
The Honorable Shackley Raffetto, Judge, Circuit Court of the  
Second Circuit  
Mr. Clayton Arninaga, Assistant Chief of Police, Kauai Police  
Department  
The Honorable Michael Soong, Prosecuting Attorney, City and  
County of Kauai  
Ms. Kat Brady, Community Alliance on Prisons

Excused:     The Honorable Peter Carlisle, Prosecuting Attorney, City and  
                  County of Honolulu  
                  Mr. John Peyton, Jr., Director of Public Safety, Department of  
                  Public Safety  
                  Mr. Bryan Yee for Mark Bennett, Attorney General, Department of  
                  the Attorney General  
                  Ms. Serena Camara, In-house Substance Abuse Counselor, ATS  
                  Salvation Army  
                  The Honorable Richard Perkins, CPMC Chair, Judge, Circuit Court  
                  of the First Circuit  
                  Mr. Albert Tufono, Chair, Hawaii Paroling Authority  
                  Mr. Peter Gellatly, President, Network Media & OOPS

1.     **Opening of the meeting:** Ms. Torney started the meeting at 1:42pm.
  - a.     Approval of minutes: a constitutional quorum was not present.
2.     **Director's report on the status of the correctional system:** The director's report consisted of several tables illustrating the inmate population by location (local, out-of-state and the Federal Detention Center), by legal status and by gender between January 1, 2001 and November 17, 2003. Between those dates there has been 16% growth. The female population is growing faster than the male population . As of November 17, 2003 there are a total of 5,564 inmates of which 1,313 are being housed out-of-state.
3.     **Old Business:**
  - a.     Mr. Allen went over the completed simulations on the three-strikes law of California, the Federal and New Jersey with the Neighbor Island Officials. The simulations provided an insight on the impact of the prison population should Hawaii adopt a three-strikes law.
  - b.     Chief Lau posed that if the prisons are overcrowded, why doesn't the state build more prisons? What is holding the Legislators back from building? He also pointed out that right now we have a revolving door, and that offenders are not getting into the system fast enough. He reported that Law Enforcement is in support of treatment. He feels that money seems to be the main obstacle, and maybe the only obstacle to getting additional prison space locally or treatment facilities. Ms. Torney responded that the Law Enforcement Coalition is trying to do this but that they need money and the Legislature just does not have the money.

- c. Also discussed, was the need for everyone, especially within the communities, to get involved. And, moreover how critical it is for police, prosecutors, defenders, judges and the Department of Public Safety to work together, as one voice, to be heard by the Legislature.
- 4. New Business**
- 5. Suggestions for agenda items for next meeting**
- 6. Closing of the meeting:** Mr. Hajime adjourned the meeting at 3:15 P.M.